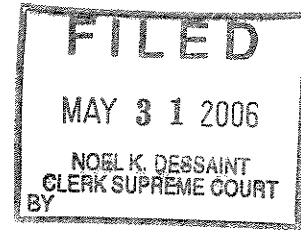


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May 19, 2006

Clerk of the Arizona Supreme Court
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To Whom it Concerns,

I am writing to voice my opinion and concern regarding the elimination of court reporters in the court system. I have had the "displeasure" of attempting to get two transcripts of "For the Record" for two very short hearings (estimated 5 minutes apiece) and am not pleased with the process at all. I made my initial request for the transcripts on April 13, 2006. When I didn't receive any paperwork or hear back from the company, A/V Tronics, I called back on April 26, 2006. At that time I was told that they needed to check on the status of the order and would call me back. On May 4, 2006, I finally received a faxed order form that I had to fill out and send to the correct department within my office to get a deposit payment approved. It is now May 19, 2006, and I just heard from A/V Tronics that they can only transcribe one of the hearings because for the other hearing the tape was turned off. So....it has been over a month, and I still have no transcript, and evidently will not ever have one of them.

This situation is not satisfactory to me. I have requested numerous transcripts from court reporters and the process/procedures necessary to acquire them are simple straight forward, efficient and accurate. Not to mention the fact that a court reporter can read the record back in court unlike hearings with "FTR." Court reporters are the only reliable provider of instantaneous voice-to-print, real-time, daily copy and rough drafts. Unfortunately, I cannot comment on the quality of the "FTR" transcript as I still have not received it.

I am requesting that you reconsider your proposal to replace court reporters with electronic recording. All litigants, including civil, criminal and juvenile litigants, should have the guaranteed right to the best record. Based on my experience, that "best record" is the professional court reporter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kara Crosby", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Kara Crosby

CC:

Jennifer Greene

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